

**Market Operations Task Team  
Conference Call Notes  
October 7, 2002**

**Call Participants:** (w/apologies for misspellings)

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**Summary of Discussion:**

1. Defining Best Practice: A potential template for identifying “Best Practice” was described which would define the common features of the Day-Ahead and Real-Time processes. A rough draft has been put together using the headings of the SMD tariff as a starting point. Concern was expressed that using the SMD as the basis for the template may mean that the true commercially successful best practice is not captured. In response it was suggested that the proposed template is intended only to serve as a framework and that PJM and NY commercial operating practices can be included by adding headings and explanations. The CAISO MD02 proposal should also be used to produce the Best Practice definition. After some further discussion, it was agreed that the rough draft would be distributed for consideration.
2. Information Resources:
  - Some of the team members have been looking for materials on the web sites of the NY, PJM and CAISO. The training materials are very extensive; too large for e-mail, so those with significant downloads will bring them to the team meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - There are likely to be a number of questions that cannot be answered from available written materials. It was suggested that a ongoing list of these be developed so that personal contacts (phone or otherwise) with people in the ISOs can be made to answer the questions.
3. Development of Examples: A suggestion was made that examples need to be developed to clarify concepts, understand mechanisms, etc. Dynamic scheduling was cited as an in issue where a working example would be very helpful. Little about such detail appears to be available

elsewhere. Some of the issues raised regarding dynamic scheduling were:

- There appears to be hierarchy of considerations – (1) The components of a resource used for load service, (2) self-scheduled transactions and (3) offers to provide a dynamic resource to RTO West or others.
  - How do you permit dynamic schedules that are not interpreted as “uninstructed deviation” subject to penalties?
  - The control algorithm is the assignment of the Metering, Control and Communications Task Team, yet the development of prices comes under this team, i.e., the price implications of market operation.
4. Team Meeting: An agenda for the October 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting was proposed as a starting point for discussions.
- Information collection to define Best Practice
  - Development of list of questions not covered in written materials
  - Assessment of resources (people) available for various types of assignments
  - Possible additions to key issues list
  - Development of examples to explain features/issues
  - Other items

**Assignments:**

1. Steve Walton – distribution of Day-Ahead/Real-Time template
2. Phil Mesa – bring CD of NY training materials downloads
3. Ron Schellberg – bring download of PJM training materials.